SALVATION.

1. The Blind Man's Opportunity. Luke 18:35-43; Mark 10:46-52.

2. How to Become a Christian. Acts 16:30.

TEXT:- Luke 18:35-43; Mark 10:46-52.

THEME:- Jesus Passing By; or, The Blind-man's Opportunity.

INTRO:- Jesus on His way to Jerusalem as typical of the Risen Christ, as the Spirit of God, on His way thru human history, to the New Jerusalem, the Kingdom of God on earth.

I. <u>The Blindman's Helplessness</u>,

1. Reduced to the condition of a beggar.

2. A type of the blindness that is prevalent today.

a/ the beggary of the sinfully blind.
b/ the beggary of the intellectually blind.
'1' the poverty of ignorance.
'2' the powerlessness of ignorance.
c/ the beggary of the spiritually blind.
'2' not living after the Spirit--a rudderless ship
'1' living after the flesh--anxiety and confusion.

II. <u>The Blindman Stops the Procession</u>.

1. He <u>hears</u> them passing by and <u>makes inquiry.</u>

2. How we should hear and make inquiry.

a/ the course of the heavenly bodies.
"What does it mean for me?"
b/ Life's everflowing stream.
"What does it mean for me?"
c/ the procession of the human race.
"What does it mean for me?"
d/ the history of the Hebrew people--Christ, the Flower
"What does it mean for me?"

3. The blind-man obtains a hearing.

a/ his cries rebuked but he cries the louder.
b/ the cry of every earnest-seeking soul is sure to
Helen Keller. (be answered.

2. Jesus Passing By.

III. <u>Jesus tarries to restore sight and to save.</u>

1.The blind man made to see. His joy in the Lord.

2.Such tarring on the part of Jesus is hastening the Kingdom and causing rejoicing in heaven.

1.The 0ther Wise Man.

2.Fanny Crosby.

8000 hymns of praise.

Blessed Assurance.
I am Thine O Lord.
Pass MeNot O Gentle Savior.
Only a Step to Jesus.
Safe in the Arms of Jesus.
To The Work.
Saved By Grace.

Chorus:

And I shall see Him face to face,
And tell the story-Saved by Grace;

"If I had not been deprived of sight, I I should never have received so good an education, nor have cultivated so fine a memory,nor have been able to do good to so many people."

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